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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

Deputy Director of Science & Technology

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FROM:

Chief, Arms Control Intelligence Staff

SUBJECT:

Tuesday's NSPG Meeting (U)

- 1. This "fast-track" memorandum is for your information. It responds to a request from your SA/DCI/IA. (U)
- 2. The NSPG meeting next Tuesday, 18 September, as best I can determine, is intended to address several interrelated issues:
 - -- Next steps by the US for ASAT arms control and, conceivably, other US initiatives. (This earlier had been scheduled for an NSC meeting on 7 September.)
 - -- The President's speech at the UNGA.
 - -- The Schultz-Gromyko meeting and the President-Gromyko meeting.

The operational issues are whether and how any policy_decisions can be introduced into the speech and/or the two meetings. The thrust of this meeting is strategic: specific tasking will flow from decisions made during or after the meeting.

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- 3. My intention is that NIO/USSR and I will give you a book Friday evening. The book will include talking points about one-to-two pages long and an estimate of where the policy agencies will show up on these issues. These talking points will address:
 - -- The ASAT options which have surfaced so far.
 - -- Updated versions of what you have seen regarding Soviet plans for the Gromyko UN speech and his meetings with Secretary Shultz and the President; i.e., what is he bringing (if anything), what does he expect or desire from the US, and what kind of behavior do we anticipate?

If there is more we can do to help you here, please call. (U)

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